Lucknow, Indore and Kozhikode have decided to raise the fees for their Post Graduate Programme (PGP) in Management from the next academic session 2008-10. Further, the Standing Committee of IIT Council (SCIC) has recommended to increase the tuition fee to Rs. 50,000/- per year for B. Tech. and M. Tech. courses. The amount of fee paid by each student in each IIM for academic session 2008—10 are as per details below:—

Sl. No.	Name of Institute	Proposed Fees for PGP (2008—10) (Rs. in lakh) I-year	II-year
1.	IIM Ahmedabad	5.50	6.00
2.	IIM Bangalore	4.00	5.00
3.	IIM Calcutta	3.00	4.00
4.	IIM Lucknow	2.50	2.50
5.	IIM Indore	3.00	3.10
6.	IIM Kozhikode	3.00	3.00

(c) and (d) No, Sir. The Institutes provide need based scholarships to the students. Easy bank loans are also being provided by the Banks.

Central University status to Utkal University

2804. SHRI RUDRA NARAYAN PANY:
SHRI B. J. PANDA:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT *be pleased to state:*

(a) whether it is proposed to grant Central University status to Utkal University of Orissa, as it now satisfies all the norms for the purpose; and

(b) what is the time-frame within which the above demand of the State Government would be agreed to and approval conveyed to the State Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) and (b) There is no active proposal to grant Central University status to Utkal University of Orissa. Setting up of 16 Central Universities one each in States which do not have a Central University at present, has been included in the Eleventh Plan. Orissa is one of the 16 States.

Residential girls high schools in Orissa

2805. SHRI RUDRA NARAYAN PANY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Orissa Government proposes to set up one residential girls high school in each block of the scheduled areas in the State, to increase literacy rate among the tribal women; and

(b) if so, the details thereof *inter alia*, indicating the help—both financial and physical—that is proposed to be given by Government to the State, to help them succeed in their above noble cause?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) and (b) Establishment of residential girls high schools comes under the purview of the Government of Orissa and no such proposal has been received in the Ministry of Human Resource Development.

Result of Mid-Day Meal Scheme

2806. SHRIMATI MOHSINA KIDWAI:
SHRIMATI SHOBHANA BHARTIA:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Programme for Nutritional Support to Primary Education, popularly known as Mid-day Meal Scheme has failed to show positive results in some States;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether CAG has recently found flaws in the functioning of the scheme in some States;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the corrective steps Government proposes to take to check flaws in the scheme and implement in a smooth manner?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) to (e) No, Sir. However, the CAG in their report for the year ended March, 2005 on the performance audit of Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan had pointed out certain inconsistencies in the coverage of Mid-Day Meal Programme in Chandigarh, Mizoram, Arunachal Pradesh and Punjab, The matter has been taken up with the concerned State Governments/UTs for clarification.

Higher education for backward sections

†2807. SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH MAJITHA:
SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that higher education amongst children of backward sections is being possible for want of capacity to incur its expenses;

(b) if so, Government's reaction thereto;

(c) whether Government has decided to implement the proposal by framing a legislation, to overcome the difficulties being faced by the backward sections; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) to (d) The Central Educational Institutions (Reservation in Admissions) Act, 2006 provides special provisions for reservation of seats for the Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and the Socially and Educationally Backward Classes/Other Backward Classes (SEBCs/OBCs) in admissions to Central

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.